

## 2008 YARD, GARDEN & PATIO SHOW SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

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### **EXPERIENCE THE DISPLAY GARDENS:**

Ten exquisite showcase gardens will welcome you to the show. Within each you will find exciting new plants in full bloom, landscaping ideas and the latest in outdoor living accessories by some of the area's premier landscape designers and contractors. Whether you are looking to create your own entertaining oasis at home or just simply stroll through the gardens and admire their magnificence, you will not want to miss this event. Each display offers an abundance of creative and very doable ideas you can apply in your own outdoor space. Stroll down the Mutual Materials walkway and experience each of these breathtaking gardens.

### **SHOP FROM HUNDREDS OF EXCITING EXHIBITS**

The show is known for its unique vendors. More than 500 different exhibits will be showcasing and selling the latest plants and products. Under one roof you can find just about anything for outdoor living, including plants, furniture, garden accents, yard decor, books, landscape supplies, and even landscape services. Stop by and speak with members of local garden clubs.

### **TAKE IN OUR FREE GARDEN SEMINARS**

The show features more than 60 hours of educational seminars sponsored by Monrovia. Up to four sessions run concurrently throughout the day during show hours; each lasts about an hour. Seminars feature some of the top garden, plant and landscape experts, who gladly share their knowledge with you.

### **DIG IN WITH THE FAMILY AT KIDS DIGS**

Back by popular demand is Kids Digs, the show's headquarters for hands-on activities designed to educate and inspire young people about the world of gardening.

### **INVIGORATE YOUR GARDEN YEAR-ROUND AT THE WINTER-IN-BLOOM DISPLAY**

Is your yard lacking interest and excitement in the winter? Stop by the Hardy Plant Society's Winter Interest Display and see a vast display of plants that will transform your garden into a year-round retreat with color, blooms and interest. Experts will be on hand to talk about your yard and help identify plants to ride your yard of the winter blahs.

### **PLANTS, PLANTS AND MORE PLANTS!!**

The Yard, Garden & Patio Show is about plants! The Remarkable Green Market is designed for that special, hard-to-find unusual plant and unique varieties. A percentage of the profits from the Remarkable Green Market will be donated to the Oregon State University Master Gardener program. Master Gardeners are on hand to help you find that perfect plant for any garden space.

**GRAB A GLASS OF WINE IN THE WINE GARDEN**

Here's a treat you won't want to miss! The show will feature 13 local wineries providing tastings, wine by the glass, bottle or even case. Grab a glass, sit back and relax in the beautiful garden retreat. Or, take the glass and continue through the show!

**VOTE AT THE CELEBRITY CONTAINER CONTEST**

Local celebrities have each paired up with one of our garden centers to create an imaginative and originally themed container. You won't want to miss the well-crafted containers. Vote on your favorite container and even place a bid in the silent auction for the chance to win your favorite container to add to your outdoor living space at home. All proceeds will benefit a local charity.

**ASK THE EXPERT...**

You are sure to leave the show inspired and excited about the possibilities you have seen, but don't know where to begin? Well, we have the answers! Located in our display gardens, experts of a diverse range of topics will be available to help you with your specific questions. What should you build that retaining wall out of to be functional and beautiful? What elements are you lacking in your meditation garden? Why does your dog eat your favorite plant? All these questions and more can be answered by our experts in a personal conversation with you.

**DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOUR BAGS!**

As always we will have the parcel pick available for you to leave your packages and plants and keep your hands open for more! Once you are ready to take your treasures home, you may carry out your packages or drive directly to our loading zone where volunteers will help you load up!

All of this and more await you at the 2008 Yard, Garden & Patio Show presented by ProGrass February 15-17 at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland.

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